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## WEATHER BULLETIN.

WASHINGTON, July 3.—For Lower Michigan—Fair, north winds, warmer.

## FOURTH OF JULY.

In every city, town, village and hamlet in the great state, and wherever a true American is found, the one hundred and sixteenth anniversary of American freedom—of human liberty—will today be celebrated. The people of Michigan are intensely patriotic, intensely American, and while the day will not be observed in many places in the "good old way," still it will not be forgotten, and the crack, crack, crack of the young boy's delight will cause many to shake off the cares of life for a few hours and renew in spirit the days of happy, innocent childhood, when the Fourth of July was looked forward to with joyous anticipation for weeks and weeks and remembered with feelings of regret, blistered heels and burned fingers until the dog days came. The progress of the country since its natal day in 1776 has been a triumph march towards the acme of human happiness and prosperity. Its history is written in the enduring achievements of art, science, education, music, its noblest attributes of true manhood and womanhood have been preserved and today America is the foremost nation of the earth in all that goes to make greatness and stability.

## NO USE ON EARTH.

We shall remember the spring of '92 as among the wettest in our experience when we shall have passed into the distinguished galaxy of "oldest inhabitants." Our continued "apella of weather" have not been in the nature of summer showers such as Longfellow and his fellow musers have immortalized in limerick and meter. Nor have they been grand and majestic, earth-quaking thunder storms after the style pictured by Coleridge. They have been on the contrary persistent, pelting, miserable, demoniacal sorts of downpours that have evidently conducted business on the American theory of getting there feet first, without a tinker's red-herring care what the results were to be. There hasn't been a solitary line of poetry about it. The rains didn't come to lay the dust because they began before there was any dust to lay. Their object in coming was not to cool the sick man's fevered brow, because it has been cool enough all the spring to freeze an icicle in an oven. Neither have they descended in order to give the urchin a chance to wade barefoot in the purring streams, nor to permit the cattle to low from the friendly shelter of the protecting oak. The children of the air forbade the urchins to venture forth barefoot, and the cattle thus tried to remain under the oaks have been forced to retire where the falling rain-sheets were less inviting. Taking it altogether nobody seems to know why it should have rained so incessantly, and the prayer of the pious have been for a let-up. The weather man promises something better after the Fourth shall be celebrated, but his promises are like a toper's pledge to reform.

## SUMMER HELP.

There are few topics which arouse more interest in the feminine mind than the problem of servants. It is a time-worn subject, and a time-honored one as well. It is worthy of more serious consideration than the fit of a dress or the "hang" of a bell skirt. Just now it is assuming its most serious phase, as the reports are securing city help in unlimited numbers and metropolitan housekeepers are at their wits' ends, at least those who expect to remain home during the summer, to know how to manage the domestic routine through the hot weather. Even inefficient help is unavailable, for the absorbent summer hotel engages girls of all grades and all kinds of usefulness. The girl with the good stout arm is utilized in the laundries or about the kitchen and dining room as scrub "lady." The professional second girl develops into a first-class dining room girl, and even the nurse girl and seamstress find some employment where they can enjoy the mountain air or sea breezes and rejoice in curtailed evening hours patterned after those worn by their late mistresses. Happy are they who live in apartments at this season of the year, for they are not troubled with the vexing problem of help. The landlady faces that puzzle.

## MONEY CONDITIONS.

"It is a most fortunate circumstance that the money market has required no assistance from the government this year," says Henry Clegg. "For, singularly enough, the government has been forced to ask the assistance of New York bankers in maintaining its gold reserve. However, there is nothing to awaken anxiety about the future of the money market during the summer months, the recent firming up being rather of a wholesome character than otherwise. Rates are still too easy for the satisfaction of lenders, and quite easy enough for all legitimate borrowing. At the worst there is also a superabundance of funds, so the westward currency movement is likely to be deferred. In Europe, too, low rates prevail, which is important as bearing upon the gold movement and the demand for good dividend-paying securities. During the month of July considerably over one hundred million dollars in dividend and interest payments will be distributed at the three cities of New York, Boston and Philadelphia, a considerable portion of which will be reinvested in Wall street. This demand from investors always takes out of the 'street' a good many of the more desirable stocks and bonds, and the diminution of supply naturally exerts a favorable effect upon the good, bad and indifferent. Railroad earnings are not making such favorable reports as a week or two ago, due to a falling off in passenger and grain traffic. The latter has been indirectly injured by the anti-option bill. Grain was depressed by fears of this measure, and farmers consequently made slower deliveries, being in a better position to hold the remainder of their crops than usual. Advances about the corn crop have not been very encouraging; but, with plenty of hot weather still to come, there are excellent chances of improvement. Cotton is hardly a factor in the situation at present, and further opinions concerning the crop situation must be deferred until the department's monthly report, about July 10."

## BEST IN THE WEST

Grand Rapids Will Have Some Great Races

## ON THIS GLORIOUS FOURTH

Of July—Some of the Best Horses in the World May Be Seen at the Tracks Today.

Horsemen are not as a rule noted especially for their deep and long continued piety. Like Nicodemus Dodge in Mark Twain's story, they take it for granted that if they don't give nobody no dirt, nor try to spell the navor's name with a little "g," they are all right. But yesterday the enthusiastic horseman came as near praying for peace and sunshine as he is liable to come in a whole generation. His prayer wasn't in the usual form of a supplication, and there was more or less informality about its delivery, but the day was a model one and exercised the exhilarating influence on the tracks that the horseman was yearning for.

In spite of the despicable efforts of Saturday's storm to "queer" the races the tracks are both as fine as silk and if the gods of the weather will keep the aerial moisture in check for the next twenty-four hours Grand Rapids will see some of the prettiest and most interesting races that were ever trotted in the west.

At Stockton Driving park there will be three races, a 2:20 trot, a 3:15 trot and a free-for-all trot. But the great feature of the day will be the exhibition miles by Direct, the greatest pacer that ever sped under a wire, and Monarchs, Don Leathers' phenomenal 3-year-old, that has never lost a race or failed to lower his record when trotted for that purpose.

## ENTRIES FOR THE TROT.

The track was being worked all day yesterday and is very fast. Following are the entries.

2:20 CLASS TROT—PRIZE \$100.  
Tipton Boy, b. g. by Gypsy Chief, dam by Bachelors; E. Bennett Jackson, Mich.

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Monroe street yesterday afternoon. A 10-year-old urchin, freckled and sunburned, trudged wearily up the street. He wasn't an especially handsome boy, but he was the cynosure of all eyes. In his right hand he carried a twenty-foot fishing rod. In his left he held a string which dangled two bass and a perch. The triumphant look in his eyes plainly indicated that he was right in the midst of it, and knew it as well as anyone else.

Made a First Class Office.

The Grand Rapids postoffice has been made a money order office of the first class, and all postmasters in western Michigan will be required to deposit their money order funds with the post office here instead of at Detroit, as heretofore. All postmasters of the fourth class are required to remit their funds, at the close of each day's work, which remain in excess of their advances on hand. Postmaster Briggs wired the change which has just been made.

Willie Waddell Is Lost.

Willie W. Waddell, aged 13 and living in room 14 over 100 Monroe street, was reported to the police yesterday as missing. He has not been seen for three days by his friends who are anxious concerning his whereabouts. He is described as being solidly built, sunburned hair, light complexion, gray eyes, scar on back of head about three by four inches, black and white, cream colored new pants and black and white striped blouse waist.

## Harry Wood's Benefit.

Harry Wood's benefit at Smith's opera house, Thursday night, will probably be the grandest affair of the kind ever held in the city. Mr. Tom O'Donnell, the heavyweight champion of Michigan, has kindly volunteered to assist as master of ceremonies. There will be three grand sparring bouts, two wrestling matches, and twenty-two specialty acts. A grand rope walking contest will also be given. See future advertisements.

## Christian Endeavor.

About twenty persons will leave the city Wednesday morning for New York to attend the tenth annual convention of the Young People's society of Christian Endeavor, which begins on Thursday. The sessions will be held in the Madison square garden.

## Railroad Clerks' Excursion.

The railroad clerks' excursion which was to have been given down the river on the steamer Barrett, yesterday, has been postponed one week. It is hoped that by that time the weather will be more settled and a larger crowd attend.

## Excursion to the Beach.

The excursion to Ottawa beach yesterday carried three carloads of people who visited that resort. The cottages are now all occupied and notwithstanding the coolness of the weather rooms are being engaged daily.

## Postoffice Hours.

The postoffice will be opened today from 7 to 10 a. m. The letter carriers will make the usual morning delivery. Special collections will be made from Monroe and Canal street letter boxes at 3 and 7 p. m.

## Funeral of Mrs. L. M. Gould.

The funeral of Mrs. L. M. Gould, which was held from the residence, No. 104 Myrtle street, yesterday afternoon, was attended by a large number of relatives and friends of the deceased. The Rev. A. M. Gould conducted the exercises.

## Charles Livingston's Funeral.

The funeral of the late Charles Livingston was held yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock at St. Mark's church. Services were conducted by the Rev. Dr. Fair under the auspices of the A. O. U. W. in the presence of a large congregation.

## Brewers' Picnic.

The brewers held their annual picnic at Grand Island yesterday, being transferred to that point by the steamer Grand Island. There was a large attendance and the day was pleasantly spent.

## SUNDAY HOTEL GUESTS.

P. S. Clerk and wife, G. H. Morehead and wife and Robert Drury arrived at the Hotel Grand Rapids yesterday. Mr. Clerk is editor of Clerk's Horse Review.

L. W. Dickinson of Chicago was a Sunday arrival at Sweet's. Mr. Dickinson built the Reed's lake electric road.

J. I. Look of Sault Ste. Marie and R. K. Hamilton of Flint were guests at the New Livingston over Sunday.

Harry G. Lazzell of Big Rapids and J. A. Hook, a Luther lumbard, were at the New Livingston yesterday.

J. B. Kennedy of Kalamazoo and J. W. Pearl of Benton Harbor were Sunday guests at the Morton.

S. E. Wagner, a Dayton horseman, arrived at Sweet's yesterday. He was accompanied by his wife.

E. W. Hyatt of Lansing and E. Morse and wife of Ionia were Sunday guests at the New Livingston.

L. D. Wilkinson and W. E. Hunt, Philadelphia furniture buyers, are guests at the Morton.

F. J. Brainard, Captain DeAstin and Claude Webster of Eaton Rapids are at the Morton.

W. M. Comstock of Jackson and Ray Everts of Nashville are guests at the Morton.

J. J. Baird of Lansing and E. Bush of Flint spent Sunday at the Morton house.

W. J. Sloss, a Big Rapids hardware dealer, was at the Morton yesterday.

## JULY MAGAZINES.

Annie L. Diggs, the well known lecturer and writer on political, temperance and farmers' alliance subjects in the Arena, appears in a paper which will be of great interest to those engaged in the agrarian agitation today. It is entitled "Women in the Alliance Movement," and contains a graphic description of the social conditions which made the present movement inevitable and why women from the first played such a prominent part in the agitation, after which she gives a vivid picture of prominent women in the movement. There are six illustrations of leading women accompanying this paper, including a full page picture of Mrs. Mary A. Lease, popularly called the "Joan of Arc" of the people's party.

## The Forum has shown its enterprise

by entering the presidential campaign at the very start. In the June number Senator Hoar and ex-Secretary Bayard discussed the issues of the contest, and the July number, which was issued a day after the Chicago convention adjourned, contains two articles on the presidential candidates—Hayward, by Senator Hawley, and "Cleveland," by Charles Francis Adams. In these two numbers of The Forum, therefore, is the complete material on a subject which will bring forth a discussion by a leading man in each party. These articles will be followed by others on every important phase of the contest.

## NOT FOR MR. RICH

Some Cogent Reasons Ably Presented

## WHY HE SHOULDN'T BE NAMED

His Record in and Out of Office Critically Reviewed by a Staunch Republican Newspaper.

[Ann Arbor Register.]

Hon. Hazen S. Pingree of Detroit and Hon. John T. Rich of Elba will appear before the next state republican convention as candidates for the office of governor. The Register will most earnestly support either man if nominated, but the question is, which can most certainly redeem the state from democratic control? Under all circumstances, which man has the fewest weak points, and which the most elements of strength? The Register has been looking these questions over very carefully, and after mature consideration it firmly believes that the Hon. Hazen S. Pingree is by far the stronger man with the people. In saying this we by no means wish to imply that Mr. Rich does not possess elements of strength and would not make a good governor if elected, but we believe Mr. Pingree will poll a much larger vote and make a better executive. There are a number of considerations which the Register in this conclusion, and these considerations should be carefully weighed by every delegate to the state convention, and if they are, Hazen S. Pingree will be nominated on the first ballot.

## Mr. McMillan's Interference.

The following are some of the reasons and causes that have weight with the Register:

Mr. McMillan is known as a railroad magnate, and it is claimed that through his influence Mr. Rich was made a railroad commissioner, but be that as it may, it is certain that before the present campaign had opened in Michigan, and in order to forestall public opinion, Mr. McMillan, chairman of the state central committee and senator of the United States, pronounced himself in favor of Rich for governor, and in the same line, in order to shut off public discussion and force the nomination of Rich, Mr. McMillan, by a bare majority of the state central committee, got together in a foreign state where the republicans of Michigan could not be heard, called a snap convention, making the date nearly a month earlier than any other republican convention had been called during a presidential year in a quarter of a century.

It may be said Rich is not responsible for these things, but they are all there in his record, and we do not remember to have heard that he has repudiated them.

## Mr. Rich as a Farmer.

Mr. Rich is posing as a farmer candidate, while he is receiving the unanimous support of the monopolists of the state and being pushed forward by them in order that they may ride into power upon his shoulders. And to that end this snap convention is called for July 20, a time when no farmer can or will leave this year's late harvest to attend a snap convention.

Two years ago the entire party machinery was used to force Turner's nomination for governor, and under the same leadership the party marched to overwhelming defeat. This was mainly due to the fact that the republican party in Michigan have shared the same fate Turner did. Like causes produce like results. The same republicans that stayed away from the polls then for like reasons will probably stay away again.

## Mr. Rich Defeated.

Not a few republicans are urging that Rich has been an office-holder for the last thirty years, that he has had his share of patronage, that he has been a standing candidate for governor for years, and has been repudiated by every convention before which his name has been presented. They point to the fact that until he represented in congress one term the seventh congressional district was as solidly republican as any district in the state. But when he came to run the second time he was not only defeated but left the district strongly democratic.

It is also insisted by many republicans that Mr. Rich and his friends are mainly responsible for the defeat of the party in this state two years ago. That when the convention refused to nominate Rich his friends went home and let the ticket take care of itself. It is also claimed that this led directly to the defeat of a number of republican state legislators and thereby turned the state over to democracy and made the Miner law and the state germicide possible.

## Mr. Rich Not a Soldier.

Mr. Rich was not a soldier, and there are some who are urging that when in congress he threw his influence against the soldier, his widow and children, and they claim that fact alone was sufficient cause for his defeat when he sought re-election to congress.

These are a few of the reasons that are urged against the nomination of Mr. Rich. And if he is nominated, whether they are true or false, they must be met. Thus the party will be forced to the defensive from start to finish.

By nominating Mr. Pingree the party will have none of these things to contend against, but on the other hand, they will place a candidate at the head of the state ticket who has proven his private worth and political strength by wiping out the hitherto unconquerable democratic majority and placing the democratic stronghold of Detroit under republican rule, and who will, if nominated, bring the first congressional district into the republican fold and, under the Miner law, thereby adding to the republican column two more republican presidential electors, while at the same time he will not only wipe out the largest democratic minority found in any district the state, but will bring to the state ticket a republican majority from that hot-bed of democracy.

## Pingree the Man.

His administration of the duties of the office of mayor of Detroit, at a time when it required the most intimate knowledge of the rights of the people, a cool, level head and a steady hand to protect the lives and property of the city shows him possessed of executive ability of the highest order.

He was a soldier, a man who knows what is meant by the word. His life and conduct while in the army justify endeavor him to that fearless host who know how to fight and how to vote.

He is a man of large business experience, and has been able to manage extensive and delicate business interests in such a way as to secure the confidence and support of both labor and capital.

His intimate knowledge of the affairs of our state fits him for the easy and correct solution of all questions of state policy, and, above all, freedom from rings, political plots and jobs makes him the people's candidate, while his frank, kind, honest nature makes every man his friend who knows him.

These reasons, it seems to us, are sufficient to warrant our hearty support.

## AMUSEMENTS.

## Redmond's—"O, What a Night!"

It was a very comfortable night for theater-going and a numerous audience saw Charles A. Loder in an advertised comedy which might better have been called "O, What is It?" It is exposable though on the grounds of farce comedy, perhaps, though Loder is a comedian, versatile and clever, and worthy of a good play. What virtue there is in the performance is due to his own individual efforts and that of the company in the introduction of much that is humorous in characterization and the many interpolations of bright and entertaining music and song. Mr. Loder is very nimble and graceful with his feet, and some of his dancing is as fine and as graceful as the late lamented Pat Rooney's. His dialect is even and smooth, and he certainly makes as much out of Pattie as any one could—a very impossible and awkward German whom the author made stupid in the effort to make him funny. Loder has a rich fund of talent, and it seems would be most happy in a character in which was blended the humorous and pathetic. Warren Ashley gets all there is out of Gridley. Billy Clifford also gave a taking song, in which he introduced a drum solo, and was acceptable as the Ethiopian prince. Charles Edwards, with a broad grimace and excessive grotesque antics, was a queer Dennis O'Grady. Nina Gownell was a satisfactory Chic and with her sister executed the difficult delusion dance neatly and artistically. The other girls in the cast combined in some pleasing vocal work. The engagement continues throughout the week with matinee on Saturday.

## For Harry Wood's benefit, which occurs at Smith's Thursday evening,

there will be presented a great galaxy of well known local talent. The acrobatic and gymnastic features promise to be excellent. Volunteers are becoming numerous.

## Mary Was Naughty.

A young woman in a beastly state of intoxication was arrested last night on Canal street by Patrolman White. She applied vile epithets to the officers as she was being taken to the jail and exerted all the strength she had in trying to escape. She gave her name at the jail as Mary Johnson.

## HAD A FEW RAINS

That Were Worse Than Those of This Season

## HISTORY OF OUR WEATHER

Mr. Cook Gives Some Interesting Reminiscences Concerning Rains and Floods in the Valley.

## Biblical history relates the particulars

of a certain flood, accompanied by considerable loss of life and destruction of property, and although in Genesis the promise contained in the words, "And the waters shall no more become a flood to destroy all flesh," seems to be definite; yet during the past spring some sceptical ones have claimed that there must be a flaw in the tale somewhere. Although there have been many rainy seasons in Michigan, the past spring has been the dampest in many years, probably since the spring of 1844. W. N. Cook, being in a reminiscent mood, told a reporter for THE HERALD many interesting things regarding the spring season in the Grand River valley for the past fifty years. "Yes," he said, "this spring is an exact duplicate of the spring of '44."

"That was the season that the Mississippi overflowed its banks at about the same places and under the same conditions that it has done this year."

"It rained here all spring, and in June the river was chock full of water and the Grand Haven boats left on their trips from near the present location of THE HERALD office, and instead of taking the east channel of the river, which was the deepest, they would swing out into the river and take the west channel, swinging around the west end of the island."

## Heavy Frost in June.

"That flood was followed by exceedingly cold weather and about June 15 we had a heavy frost, which killed all the fruit and even killed the leaves on the oak trees. It rained all summer that year, and during the hay and harvesting we didn't have a single pleasant day."

"Of late years we have had much high water caused by the ice breaking up in the spring and by logs becoming jammed in the river above the city. 'Probably the worst flood we have had in the valley in recent years occurred some years since, when the town of Lyons was nearly wiped out of existence. I don't remember the exact date, in fact I don't remember occurrences of recent years as well as those of years gone by. But the flood there was caused by overflows in the Looking Glass and Grand rivers, and proved very destructive to towns up the river and especially to Lyons."

"With all our high water and floods the damage from washouts has been comparatively small on account of the low lands which border the rivers."

"We have had water so high in the river that the steamer Empire was tied where the Lovett block now stands. For the past four years we have not had our usual amount of rain, but this year we seem to be getting right down to the first principles. We have had several cold winters as well as rainy springs in the valley."

"In January of '94 the mercury went as low as 38 below zero in this locality, and around Ada and other small places on the bottoms it went even lower than that. The winter of '73 was one of the coldest we have had, and nearly all the fruit trees were killed. One peculiar thing about these cold winters is that they were followed by unusually warm ones."

## Sweeping Reductions.

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